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24 April 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Abbot Smith, []

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MR. DULLES:

a. Asked Mr. Helms to ensure that action is taken to return our
communicator to [] as soon as possible.

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b. Noted we have received excellent reporting on the situation in
[] asked DD/I to prepare a memorandum for the President on this
subject. He commented that by and large most of these messages
could be attached as Tabs.

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c. Noted we had received a request from the [] for intelligence
on the [] situation, and commented we should do what we can
provided there is no objection by the Department of State. Action:
Mr. Helms

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In this connection Mr. Amory noted consideration might be given
to a U-2 flight over [] with a particular effort being made to
determine the location of the alleged transport aircraft in this area.
Mr. Bissell, in response to a query from the Director, stated that a
complete U-2 package could be made available in about 48 hours. It was
agreed, after some discussion, that should it be decided to use this
facility, the operation could best be mounted from []

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d. Noted he had tried to get in touch this morning with Foy Kohler
in State regarding the situation in [] and asked Mr. Helms to do
this at the earliest possible moment.

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e. Asked DD/I to prepare a memorandum covering our reporting
over the past months on the situation in []

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f. Noted he had discussed with Mr. Kirkpatrick over the weekend
the advisability of meeting with the DD/P Division ^{and} Staff Chiefs on the
Agency's role in Cuba, and stated he desired to do this as soon as
possible and in any event not later than Tuesday. It was suggested that
representatives from Logistics, Commo, and Security be present. The
Director concurred and also noted his intention to speak on this subject
at the Senior Staff Meeting scheduled for Monday, 1 May.

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g. Noted he had received a very good paper on the subjects to be discussed with [] during his current visit, but commented it was not made clear whether or not the Department of State agreed with []'s proposal [] He therefore asked Mr. Helms to obtain State Department's views on this matter and advise him. The Director commented he personally would be willing to spend some money for this purpose in order to let the world know that the West does not intend to give up its position in []

h. Noted that Under Secretary of State Chester Bowles is being briefed this afternoon at 5:30 on [] in connection with the latter's visit to the U. S., and stated Mr. Bowles should be brought up to date on [] The Director said that while the President has been furnished a memorandum covering this matter he was not sure whether he had an opportunity to read it. Mr. Helms commented that Mr. Bell

[] Director also said he strongly felt that [] should be made aware of Soviet machinations with regard to oil in [] The Director remarked that while the Soviets have not at the moment made a concentrated effort to gain control of the oil supplies in this area, he is convinced that they are slowly and surely moving in this direction. Action: Mr. Helms to ensure that this item is also included in the 5:30 Bowles briefing.

MR. HELMS:

Raised the question of Mr. McGeorge Bundy being furnished copies of TDCS's and after some discussion as to whether this should be done on a selected basis, it was agreed that all TDCS's would be furnished [] for Mr. Bundy.

COLONEL WHITE:

